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SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : It is for want of such technically qualified men that these institutions were not able to start research institutions there. Such men are available in other countries. Only if the Government move in the matter they will become available. Therefore it is necessary that the Government should take interest in the work and see that such technically qualified men are made available for those institutions. May I know from the Government whether any measures were taken by them to see that such men from other countries were made available to them?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : I am sorry the hon. Member does not realize what the essential requirements are for proper research work to be done. Probably such research work may be taken up in the Ayurvedic teaching institution at Trivandrum but not at Palghat, Sir.

SRI M. PALANIYANDI : May I know whether this Government have taken any interest in the collection of manuscripts from the "Olaichuvadi", that is writings on palm leaves from the village parts where we have very good literature on the subject?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : Sir, palm leaves may be collected. But I do not think palm leaf literature may be collected from the villages. (Laughter.)

* 151 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation on 25th February 1956 from the managing Committee of the Madhava Ayurvedic College, Cannanore to enhance the Government grant to the College; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon.

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Appeals on commercial tax cases

* 152 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have instructed Commercial Tax Officers in the State to pronounce orders on appeals at least within six months of hearing arguments; and

(*b*) how many appeals have been disposed of by the Commercial Tax Officers in Malabar later than six months after the arguments?

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